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VACCINES

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2003, applicant elects the claims of Group I, drawn to DNA, vectors, transformed cells, polypeptides, and a first method of use for diagnosis in vivo. The election is made without traverse.

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In response to the communication dated March 21, 2003 (copy enclosed), applicant submits herewith a Sequence Listing in computer readable form as required by 37 CFR §1.824. In addition, applicant submits an initial Sequence Listing as required under 37 CFR §1.823(a) and a statement under 37 CFR §1.821(f).

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith for the instant application. Furthermore, applicant requests entry of the following amendments.

In the specification:

Insert the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith following the Oath/Declaration.

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